

# Public Enemy Lyrics

## "Shut Em Down"

I testified  
My mama cried  
Black people died  
When the other man lied  
See the TV, listen to me double trouble  
I overhaul and I'm comin'  
From the lower level  
I'm takin' tabs  
Sho nuff stuff to grab  
Like shirts it hurts  
Wit a neck to wreck  
Took a poll 'cause our soul  
Took a toll  
From the education  
Of a TV station  
But look around  
Hear go the sound of the wreckin' ball  
Boom and Pound  
When I  
Shut 'em down  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
What I use in the battle for the mind  
I hit it hard  
Like it supposed  
Pullin' no blows to the nose  
Like uncle L said I'm rippin' up shows  
Then what it is  
Only 5 percent of the biz  
I'm addin' woes  
That's how da way it goes  
Then U think I rank never drank, point blank  
I own loans  
Suckers got me runnin' from the bank  
Civil liberty I can't see to pay a fee  
I never saw a way to pay a sap  
To read the law  
Then become a victim of a lawyer  
Don't know ya, never saw ya  
Tape cued  
Gettin' me sued  
Playin' games wit' my head  
What the judge said put me in the red  
Got me thinkin' 'bout a trigger to the lead  
No no  
My education mind say  
Suckers gonna pay  
Anyway

There gonna be a day  
'Cause the troop they roll in  
    To posse up  
    Whole from the ground  
    Ready to go  
    Throw another round  
    Sick of the ride  
    It's suicide  
    For the other side of town  
When I find a way to shut 'em down  
    Who count the money  
    In da neigborhood  
    But we spendin' money  
    To no end lookin' for a friend  
        In a war to the core  
    Rippin' up the poor in da stores  
        Till they get a brother  
        Kickin' down doors  
    Then I figure I kick it bigger  
        Look 'em dead in the eye  
        And they wince  
    Defense is pressurized  
    They don't want it to be  
        Another racial attack  
    In disguise so give some money back  
        I like Nike but wait a minite  
The neighborhood supports so put some  
    Money in it  
    Corporations owe  
    Dey gotta give up the dough  
        To da town  
        or else  
    We gotta shut 'em down